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APPLICANTS

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FOR

DIESEL ENGINE LUBRICATED WITH

FUEL SUCH AS LIGHT OIL

GROUP ART UNIT

3747

EXAMINER

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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Customer Service Window **AMENDMENT** Randolph Bldg., 401 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT MAILED DECEMBER 18, 2007

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2007 in the above-identified application, the Applicants respectfully submit the following.

Remarks

Claims 2-18 are pending in the application. In response to the election/restriction requirement set forth in the above-identified Office Action, the Applicants hereby elect Species I, drawn to FIGS. 1 and 5. In addition, the Applicants believe that FIG. 10 should also be included in Species I. Further, please note that the Office Action does not address claim 8; however, the Applicants believe that this claim should have been included in Species IV.

Should there be any questions concerning this matter, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's undersigned attorney. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments which may be incurred in connection with this paper under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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